

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 2637–2652; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 45; and H. Res. 296 were introduced.

Page H4369

Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H4370–71

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 2218, to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to encourage recovery and beneficial use of coal combustion residuals and establish requirements for the proper management and disposal of coal combustion residuals that are protective of human health and the environment, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–148) and

H. Res. 295, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2642) to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2018, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 113–149).

Pages H4368–69

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Amodei to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

Page H4313

Recess: The House recessed at 10:38 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

Page H4317

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote.

Pages H4318, H4367

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the 19 firefighters lost in the wildfires of Yarnell, Arizona on June 30, 2013.

Page H4335

Recess: The House recessed at 3:04 p.m. and reconvened at 5:15 p.m.

Page H4336

Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2014: The House passed H.R. 2609, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014, by a yea-and-nay vote of 227 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 345. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, July 9th.

Pages H4322–67

Rejected the Schneider motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 195 ayes to 230 noes, Roll No. 344.

Pages H4365–67

Agreed to:

Burgess amendment (No. 17 printed in the Congressional Record of July 9, 2013) that prohibits

funds from being used to implement or enforce section 430.32(x) of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations or to implement or enforce the standards established by the tables contained in section 325(I)(1)(B) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act with respect to BPAR incandescent reflector lamps, BR incandescent reflector lamps, and ER incandescent reflector lamps;

Pages H4322–23

Meadows amendment that prohibits funds from being used to pay the salary of individuals appointed to their current position through, or to otherwise carry out, paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of section 5503(a) of title 5, United States Code;

Pages H4323–24

Scalise amendment that prohibits funds from being used within the borders of the State of Louisiana by the Mississippi Valley Division or the Southwestern Division of the Army Corps of Engineers or any district of the Corps within such divisions to implement or enforce the mitigation methodology, referred to as the "Modified Charleston Method";

Pages H4324–25

Blackburn amendment that prohibits funds from being used by the Department of Energy to finalize, implement, or enforce the proposed rule entitled "Energy Conservation Standards Ceiling Fans and Ceiling Fan Light Kits" and identified by regulation identification number 1904–AC87;

Pages H4326–28

Higgins amendment (No. 31 printed in the Congressional Record of July 9, 2013) that prohibits funds from being used to relocate or consolidate general and administrative functions, personnel, or resources of the Buffalo and Chicago Districts of the Corps of Engineers Great Lakes and Ohio River Division;

Pages H4328–29

Walberg amendment (No. 32 printed in the Congressional Record of July 9, 2013) that prohibits funds from being used to carry out section 801 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007;

Page H4329

Grayson amendment (No. 14 printed in the Congressional Record of July 9, 2013) that prohibits funds from being used to enter into a contract with any offeror or any of its principals if that offeror has, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for commission of a fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public contract or sub-contract; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false

statements, tax evasion, violating Federal criminal tax laws, or receiving stolen property; **Pages H4329–30**

Scalise amendment that increases funding, by offset, for construction activities of the Army Corps of Engineers by \$2,000,000; **Pages H4330–31**

Lynch amendment that increases funding, by offset, for construction activities of the Army Corps of Engineers by \$20,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 217 ayes to 206 noes, Roll No. 338);

Pages H4325–26, H4339

Gosar amendment that prohibits funds from being used by the Department of Energy for any program, project, or activity required by or otherwise proposed in the memorandum from Steven Chu, Secretary of Energy, to the Power Marketing Administrators with the subject line “Power Marketing Administrations’ Role” and dated March 16, 2012;

Pages H4339–40

Turner amendment that prohibits funds from being used to reduce the active and inactive nuclear weapons stockpiles of the United States in contravention of section 303(b) of the Arms Control and Disarmament Act;

Pages H4342–44

Engel amendment that prohibits funds from being used to lease or purchase new light duty vehicles for any executive fleet, or for an agency’s fleet inventory, except in accordance with Presidential Memorandum—Federal Fleet Performance, dated May 24, 2011;

Pages H4345–46

Garcia amendment that increases funding, by offset, for construction activities of the Corps of Engineers by \$1,000,000;

Page H4346

Luetkemeyer amendment that prohibits funds from being used for the study of the Missouri River Projects authorized in section 108 of the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2009;

Pages H4348–49

Luetkemeyer amendment that prohibits funds from being used to continue the study conducted by the Army Corps of Engineers pursuant to section 5018(a)(1) of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007;

Pages H4349–51

Noem amendment that prohibits funds from being used to issue rules or regulations to establish a fee for surplus water from Missouri River reservoirs;

Pages H4351–52

Kelly (PA) amendment (No. 20 printed in the Congressional Record of July 9, 2013) that prohibits funds from being used to develop or submit a proposal to expand the authorized uses of the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund described in section 9505(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

Pages H4356–58

LaMalfa amendment that prohibits funds from being used to regulate activities identified in sub-

paragraphs (A) and (C) of section 404(f)(1) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act; **Pages H4358–59**

King (IA) amendment that prohibits funds from being used for sediment or soil dumping into the Missouri River;

Pages H4359–60

Flores amendment that prohibits funds from being used to implement, administer, or enforce the National Ocean Policy developed under Executive Order No. 13547 of July 19, 2010 (75 Fed. Reg. 43023, relating to the stewardship of oceans, coasts, and the Great Lakes);

Pages H4360–61

Flores amendment that prohibits funds from being used to implement, administer, or enforce section 526 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007; and

Page H4361

Fleming amendment that prohibits funds from being used to pay the salary of any officer or employee to carry out section 301 of the Hoover Power Plant act of 1984, added by section 402 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (by a recorded vote of 230 ayes to 194 noes, Roll No. 340).

Pages H4346–47, H4363

Rejected:

Barrow amendment (No. 26 printed in the Congressional Record of July 9, 2013) that sought to prohibit funds from being used to implement, administer, or enforce any authority, in any preceding provision of this Act, to use funds for the purchase or hire of motor vehicles;

Page H4330

Hastings (FL) amendment that was debated on July 9th that sought to increase funding, by offset, for Science activities of the Department of Energy by \$223,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 156 ayes to 266 noes, Roll No. 328);

Page H4332

Garamendi amendment that was debated on July 9th that sought to increase funding, by offset, for the Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy by \$329,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 155 ayes to 266 noes, Roll No. 329);

Pages H4332–33

Broun (GA) amendment that was debated on July 9th that sought to eliminate funding for the Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program and apply the \$6,000,000 in savings to the spending reduction account (by a recorded vote of 165 ayes to 252 noes, Roll No. 330);

Pages H4333–34

Jackson Lee amendment that was debated on July 9th that sought to increase funding for Departmental Administration by \$1,000,000 and reduce funding for Weapons Activities of the National Nuclear Security Administration by \$1,200,000 (by a recorded vote of 184 ayes to 238 noes, Roll No. 331);

Page H4334

Quigley amendment that was debated on July 9th that sought to reduce funding for Weapons Activities of the National Nuclear Security Administration

by \$23,700,000 and apply the savings to the spending reduction account (by a recorded vote of 196 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 332); **Pages H4334–35**

Heck (NV) amendment that was debated on July 9th that sought to increase funding for Weapons Activities of the National Nuclear Security Administration by \$14,000,000 and reduce funding for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation by \$16,546,000 (by a recorded vote of 86 ayes to 338 noes, Roll No. 333); **Pages H4335–36**

Bass amendment that sought to prohibit funds from being used to implement, administer, or enforce, with respect to hydraulic fracturing operations in the Inglewood Oil Field (1) the exclusion in section 1421(d)(1)(B) of the Safe Drinking Water Act; (2) section 261.4(b)(5) of title 40, Code of Federal Regulations; or (3) the limitation in section 402(l)(2) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (agreed by unanimous consent to withdraw the request for a recorded vote to the end that the amendment stand rejected in accordance with the voice vote thereon); **Pages H4323, H4336**

Polis amendment that was debated on July 9th that sought to reduce funding for Weapons Activities of the National Nuclear Security Administration by \$13,072,000 and apply the savings to the spending reduction account (by a recorded vote of 182 ayes to 243 noes, Roll No. 334); **Pages H4336–37**

Burgess amendment that was debated on July 9th that sought to reduce funding for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation by \$48,000,000 and apply the savings to the spending reduction account (by a recorded vote of 114 ayes to 308 noes, Roll No. 335); **Page H4337**

Burgess amendment that was debated on July 9th that sought to strike language allowing the Secretary of Energy to make not more than \$48,000,000 available for the purpose of carrying out domestic uranium enrichment research, development, and demonstration activities (by a recorded vote of 131 ayes to 291 noes, Roll No. 336); **Pages H4337–38**

Titus amendment that was debated on July 9th that sought to strike section 509, which prohibits funds from being used to conduct closure of adjudicatory functions, technical review, or support activities associated with the Yucca Mountain geologic repository license application, or for actions that irrevocably remove the possibility that Yucca Mountain may be a repository option in the future (by a recorded vote of 87 ayes to 337 noes, Roll No. 337); **Pages H4338–39**

Ben Ray Lujan amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, for construction activities of the Corps of Engineers by \$15,000,000; **Pages H4344–45**

Grayson amendment that sought to increase funding, by offset, for Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies by \$10,000,000; **Page H4353**

Whitfield amendment that sought to prohibit funds under the heading Renewable Energy, Energy Reliability, and Efficiency from being used for wind energy programs (by a recorded vote of 94 ayes to 329 noes, Roll No. 339); **Pages H4340–42, H4362–63**

Garamendi amendment (No. 28 printed in the Congressional Record of July 9, 2013) that sought to increase funding, by offset, for construction activities of the Corps of Engineers by \$100,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 170 ayes to 253 noes, Roll No. 341); **Pages H4347–48, H4363–64**

Speier amendment that sought to reduce funding for Fossil Energy Research and Development by \$30,000,000 (by a recorded vote of 174 ayes to 250 noes, Roll No. 342); and **Pages H4352, H4364**

Chabot amendment that sought to reduce the funding levels for the “Appalachian Regional Commission”, the “Delta Regional Authority”, the “Denali Commission”, the “Northern Border Regional Commission”, and the “Southeast Crescent Regional Commission” to \$0 (by a recorded vote of 147 ayes to 273 noes, Roll No. 343).

Pages H4353–55, H4364–65

Withdrawn:

Nugent amendment that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that would have prohibited funds from being used to bring an action against the United States. **Page H4345**

Point of Order sustained against:

Butterfield amendment that sought to express the sense of Congress that the Army Corps of Engineers should take into consideration and prioritize emergency operations, repairs, mitigation activities, and other activities in response to or in anticipation of any flood, hurricane, or other natural disaster when evaluating construction projects and **Pages H4355–56**

Bridenstine amendment that sought to prohibit funds from being used by the Corps of Engineers to set water storage prices for municipal use for a non-hydropower lake constructed by the Corps above the price that was set at the time of the completion of the lake. **Page H4361**

H. Res. 288, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to yesterday, July 9th.

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, July 11th. **Page H4367**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:34 p.m. and reconvened at 11:11 p.m. **Pages H4367–68**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and 17 recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4332, H4332–33,

H4333–34, H4334, H4334–35, H4335–36, H4336–37, H4337, H4338, H4338–39, H4339, H4362, H4363, H4363–64, H4364, H4365, H4366–67, H4367. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:12 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a markup on appropriations for Financial Services and General Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014. The bill was forwarded without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, and Science and Related Agencies held a markup on appropriations for Commerce, Justice, and Science and related agencies. The bill was forwarded without amendment.

EXAMINING THE LABOR DEPARTMENT'S PROPOSED REFORMS TO THE FECA PROGRAM

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing entitled “Examining the Labor Department’s Proposed Reforms to the FECA Program”. Testimony was heard from Scott Szymendera, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Gary Steinberg, Acting Director, Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs, Department of Labor; Andrew Sherrill, Director of Education, Workforce and Income Security, Government Accountability Office; and a public witness.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power continued markup on the following: H.R. 1582, the “Energy Consumers Relief Act of 2013”; H.R. 1900, the “Natural Gas Pipeline Permitting Reform Act”; and H.R. 83, to require the Secretary of the Interior to develop an action plan to address the energy needs of the insular areas of the United States and the Freely Associated States. The following bill was forwarded, without amendment: H.R. 1900. The following bills were forwarded, as amended: H.R. 1582; and H.R. 83.

REDUCING BARRIERS TO CAPITAL FORMATION, PART II

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled “Reducing Barriers to Capital

Formation, Part II”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TERRORIST THREAT IN NORTH AFRICA: BEFORE AND AFTER BENGHAZI

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade; and Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a joint hearing entitled “The Terrorist Threat in North Africa: Before and After Benghazi”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ABU DHABI PRE-CLEARANCE FACILITY: IMPLICATIONS FOR U.S. BUSINESSES AND NATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled “The Abu Dhabi Pre-Clearance Facility: Implications for U.S. Businesses and National Security”. Testimony was heard from Kevin K. McAleenan, Acting Deputy Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

ASSESSING ATTACKS ON THE HOMELAND: FROM FORT HOOD TO BOSTON

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee began a hearing entitled “Assessing Attacks on the Homeland: From Fort Hood to Boston”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses. The committee voted to close the hearing and recessed to reconvene at 9 a.m. tomorrow, July 11, 2013, in a closed session in HVC–301.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law held a markup on H.R. 1493, the “Sunshine for Regulatory Decrees and Settlements Act of 2013”; and H.R. 2542, the “Regulatory Flexibility Improvements Act of 2013”. The bills were forwarded, without amendment.

UNACCOUNTABLE GOVERNMENT GAO REPORTS SHOW FEDS STRUGGLING TO TRACK MONEY AND PERFORMANCE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Unaccountable Government GAO Reports Show Feds Struggling to Track Money and Performance”. Testimony was heard from Gene L. Dodaro, Comptroller General of the United States.

COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN: MAKING EVERY DOLLAR COUNT

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service, and the Census held a hearing entitled “The